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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AGREEMENT FOR NEW SPANISH AMBASSADOR
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REF: MADRID 6650

1. UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS SOLANO CALLED ME IN TODAY TO GIVE ME A NOTE REQUESTING AGREEMENT FOR APPOINTMENT OF JUAN JOSE ROVIRA Y SANCHEZ HERRERO AS THE NEW SPANISH AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES. THE NOTE ASKS THAT THE AGREEMENT BE EXTENDED AS QUICKLY AS IS POSSIBLE. IN THIS REGARD, SOLANO EXPLAINED THAT THE INTENTION IS FOR ROVIRA TO ACCOMPANY FOREIGN MINISTER OREJA TO WASHDC FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING ON OCTOBER 1. IT WOULD, OF COURSE BE PREFERABLE THAT THE AGREEMENT BE RECEIVED BEFORE THAT TRIP. AFTER THE OCTOBER 1 MEETING ROVIRA WOULD PLAN TO RETURN TO MADRID BRIEFLY TO PACK BEFORE TAKING UP RESIDENCE IN WASHDC.

2. I TOLD SOLANO THAT HE COULD BE CERTAIN THAT A RESPONSE TO THE REQUEST FOR AGREEMENT WOULD BE FORTHCOMING AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. I SAID HOWEVER, THAT ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS MIGHT TAKE SOME TIME. SOLANO SAID HE FULLY RECOGNIZED THIS, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT WE WERE IN A PRE ELECTION PERIOD.

3. THE DEPARTMENT HAS EXTENSIVE BIOGRAPHIC MATERIAL ON
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ROVIRA. HOWEVER, THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS NOTE PROVIDES

THE FOLLOWING BRIEF RUNDOWN.

BORN APRIL 20,1920

ENTERED THE DIPLOMATIC SCHOOL AUGUST 30,1944

ECONOMIC ATTACHE IN THE SPANISH EMBASSIES IN LONDON

AND DUBLIN IN 1948 ADN 1949 REWPECTIVELY.

DIRE3TOR GENERAL FOR ECONOMIC COPPERATION IN 1956.

OFFICE CHIEF FOR THE COMMISSION RESPONSIBLE FOR THE

1950 AGREEMENTS WITH THE UNITED STATES.

COUNSELOR OF EMBASSY IN 1961

MINISTER PLENIPOTENTIARY THIRD CLASS, 1961

SPANISH AMBASSADOR TO SYRIA 1964.

MINISTER PLENIPOTENTIARY SECOND CLASS, 1968

SPANISH AMBASSADOR TO CANADA 1969

MINISTER PLENIPOTENTIARY FIRCT CLASS. 1973

DIRECTOR OF THE DIPLOMATIC SCHOOL 1973

UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRU 1974

CAREER AMBASSADOR 1975.

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